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- 1. PAN AM LONDON DENIES ANY CULPABILITY FOR STRANDED BERLINERS IN LONDON. AIRLINE STATES THAT, SINCE DEPT OF TRADE IMPOSED LIMITATION IN NOVEMBER, IT HAS FLOWN ONLY FIVE IT FLIGHTS INTO LONDON AND FIVE IT FLIGHTS OUT OF LONDON AND CARRIED APPROXIMATELY SAME NUMBER OF PASSENGERS IN EACH DIRECTION. ACCORDING TO PAN AM, TERMS OF ITS BERLIN/LONDON ITC PERMITS DO NOT REQUIRE THAT AIRLINE CARRY SAME IT GROUPS OUT OF LONDON THAT IT BROUGHT INTO LONDON. THEREFORE, SINCE PASSENGERS BROUGHT IN ROUGHLY EQUALED PASSENGERS TAKEN OUT AIRLINE MAINTAINS IT CANNOT POSSIBLY BE HELD REPONSIBLE FOR ANY STRANDED PASSENGERS.
- 2. PAN AM LONDON BELIEVES BERLIN TRAVEL ORGANIZER ASSUMED (INCORRECTLY) THAT UKG WOULD RESTORE PAN AM'S ITC AUTHORITY AFTER JAN 1 AND WAS COUNTING ON AVAIL-CONFIDENTIAL

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ABILITY OF EASTBOUND CAPACITY ON PAN AM AIRCRAFT TO

RETURN BERLINERS BROUGHT INTO LONDON FOR MOST PART BY LAKER AIRWAYS.

3. PAN AM STATES STRANDED PASSENGERS TOTAL 165; 125 OF WHOM ARE DUE TO RETURN BERLIN JAN 2 AND REMAINING 40 PASSENGERS TO RETURN JAN 4. DEPT OF TRADE REFUSED PAN AM REQUEST TO CARRY THESE PASSENGERS AT CHARTER RATE ABOARD SCHEDULED SERVICE FLIGHTS BUT TOLD AIRLINE THAT, AS FAR AS UKG IS CONCERNED, IT HAS PART CHARTER AUTHTRADE. PAN AM PLANS TO CARRY STRANDEES UNDER THIS PART CHARTER AUTHORITY.

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